



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Down 15 Percent from Last Year

May 2014 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

May 2015 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 166 million dozen during May 2015, down 15 percent from May a year ago, and 9 percent below the 182 million broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2015 through May, shell eggs broken totaled 900 million dozen, up slightly from the comparable period in 2014. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2015 was 1,167 million pounds, down slightly from 2014.

Data presented in this report were compiled from Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) inspection reports.

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken – United States: May 2015 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2014	April 2015	May 2015	Percent of	
				May 2014	April 2015
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	195,415	181,823	165,980	85	91
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	147,444	145,668	136,954	93	94
White	71,096	61,916	51,489	72	83
Yolk	34,894	30,419	25,010	72	82
Total	253,434	238,003	213,453	84	90
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	19,402	18,819	16,492	85	88

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-May 2014 and 2015

Inspected item	Cumulative		2015 as percent of 2014
	January-May 2014	January-May 2015	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	899,879	900,101	100
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	669,798	710,918	106
White	333,930	305,673	92
Yolk	165,332	150,741	91
Total	1,169,060	1,167,332	100
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	92,433	93,446	101

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Data for the *Egg Products* report are obtained from Egg Products Volume Reports (FSIS Form 5200-11) completed by inspectors of FSIS, USDA. FSIS is responsible for administering a mandatory inspection program for egg products under the authority of the Egg Products Inspection Act of 1970. The act and its associated regulations require that all commercial egg breaking and processing plants operate under continuous USDA supervision. Reports are currently received from approximately 60 plants in the United States. Plant management provides monthly volume data to the resident USDA inspector at the applicable plant.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late reports received by FSIS from plants. Revisions for the previous month and year-to-date totals are published in each monthly release.

Procedures and Reliability: FSIS reviews plant data for accuracy and completeness and provides NASS a data file. NASS reviews the data for unusual values. The egg products estimates are based on a census of all commercial egg breaking and processing plants; therefore, there are no statistical estimation and sampling errors.

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